SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

**ASBESTOS LITIGATION** 

LEROY BAKER

(Estate of DOLORES BAKER),

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

ANOVA HOLDINGS AG, et al

Defendant(s).

**Docket No:** L-1132-16 (AS)

**Civil Action** 

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER IV** 

This matter coming in for a Case Management Conference before Special Master Agatha N. Dzikiewicz and the following parties on *July 18, 2018:* 

| FIRM              | ATTORNEY            | CLIENT  |
|-------------------|---------------------|---|
| Simon Greenstone  | Joseph J. Mandia    | Plaintiff(s) co-counsel with Szaferman Lakind |
| Caruso Smith      | Thomas M. Rogers    | CertainTeed; Union Carbide                    |
| Gibbons PC        | Robert Brown, Jr.   | Cemex Materials LLC                           |
| Goldfein & Joseph | Madhurika Jeremiah  | Asbestos Corp. Ltd.; Bell Asbestos Mines      |
| Hoagland Longo    | Amie Kalac          | Whittaker Clark & Daniels                     |
| Rawle & Henderson | Sebastian Goldstein | Cyprus Amax Minerals                          |

IT IS on this 18th day of July, 2018, effective from the conference date;

#### ORDERED as follows:

Counsel receiving this Order through computerized electronic medium (E-Mail) shall be deemed by the court to have received a copy of the filed original court document. Any document served pursuant to this Order shall be deemed to be served by mail pursuant to R.1:5-2.

## **DISCOVERY**

December 4, 2018 Fact discovery, including depositions, shall be completed by this date. Plaintiff's counsel shall

contact the Special Master within one week of this deadline if all fact discovery is not

completed.

December 4, 2018 Depositions of corporate representatives shall be completed by this date.

# **EARLY SETTLEMENT**

February 15, 2019 Settlement demands shall be served on all counsel and the Special Master by this date.

## **SUMMARY JUDGMENT MOTION PRACTICE**

February 15, 2019 Plaintiff's counsel shall advise, in writing, of intent not to oppose motions by this date.

March 1, 2019 Summary judgment motions shall be filed no later than this date.

March 29, 2019 Last return date for summary judgment motions.

## **MEDICAL DEFENSE**

January 29, 2019 Plaintiff shall serve medical expert reports by this date.

January 29, 2019 Upon request by defense counsel, plaintiff is to arrange for the transfer of pathology specimens

and x-rays, if any, by this date.

May 17, 2019 Defendants shall identify its medical experts and serve medical reports, if any, by this date. In

addition, defendants shall notify plaintiff's counsel (as well as all counsel of record) of a

joinder in an expert medical defense by this date.

## **LIABILITY EXPERT REPORTS**

January 29, 2019 Plaintiff shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports or a certified expert

statement by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.

May 17, 2019 Defendants shall identify its liability experts and serve liability expert reports, if any, by this

date or waive any opportunity to rely on liability expert testimony.

## **ECONOMIST EXPERT REPORTS**

January 29, 2019 Plaintiff shall identify its expert economists and serve expert economist report(s), if any, by

this date or waive any opportunity to rely on economic expert testimony.

May 17, 2019 Defendants shall identify its expert economists and serve expert economist report(s), if any,

by this date or waive any opportunity to rely on economic expert testimony.

## **EXPERT DEPOSITIONS**

June 21, 2019 Expert depositions shall be completed by this date. To the extent that plaintiff and defendant

generic experts have been deposed before, the parties seeking that deposition in this case must file an application before the Special Master and demonstrate the necessity for that deposition. To the extent possible, documents requested in a deposition notice directed to an expert shall be produced three days in advance of the expert deposition. The expert shall not be required

to produce documents that are readily accessible in the public domain.

## PRE-TRIAL AND TRIAL

October 19, 2018 The settlement conference previously scheduled on this date is **cancelled**.

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June 6, 2019 @ 10:00am Settlement conference. All defense counsel shall appear with authority to negotiate

settlement and have a representative authorized to negotiate settlement available by phone. Any request to be excused from the settlement conference shall be made to the

Special Master no later than 4:00pm of the day prior to the conference.

July 29, 2019 Trial Date. (The November 26, 2018 trial is adjourned to this date.)

Plaintiff(s) counsel shall serve a copy of this Order upon any additional counsel immediately upon receipt.

/s/ Ana C. Viscomí ANA C. VISCOMI, J.S.C.

cc: Clerk, Mass Tort

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